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DIARY NOTES

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13 September 1963

1. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning:

a. The Director told John Bross that he wanted him to start functioning immediately in his new job as Deputy to the DCI for National Intelligence Programs Evaluation and directed Mr. Kirkpatrick to appoint an Acting Comptroller immediately.

b. The Director also mentioned that he was giving serious consideration to having the Director of NRO appointed a member of USIB.

2. I met with Larry Houston and Bob Bannerman following which I signed a deposition to the effect that information passed between a contractor's security officer and this Agency is privileged. This grows out of a suit which was brought against an ex-[REDACTED] employee by an individual whom a contractor's security officer reported as having violated security repeatedly. (This is the [REDACTED] case.)

3. [REDACTED] was in to discuss with me a thought he had about getting around the personnel ceiling limitation. He suggested that if we were not required to count against ceiling the military personnel in the Office of Special Activities, it would almost solve our shortage for both DD/S and DD/S&T. (I don't think John wants to be credited with initiating this idea, however.)

4. I talked to Jack Earman several times about the status of [REDACTED]. Based upon staff advice I assured him that these were in process of revision and that the Inspector General would get a crack at them in due course. Apparently he and [REDACTED] are concerned about Chiefs [REDACTED] being permitted to delegate their responsibilities as approving officers to subordinates.

5. [REDACTED] telephoned to say that Mr. Robert Phillips of the Government Readiness Office of the Office of Emergency Planning came over with a Mr. Coffin today and reviewed with him the stalemate of the McDermott committee, which seems to be preventing any positive action toward a shelter program for the Government. Mr. Phillips urged us to come up with a plan of our own as to how

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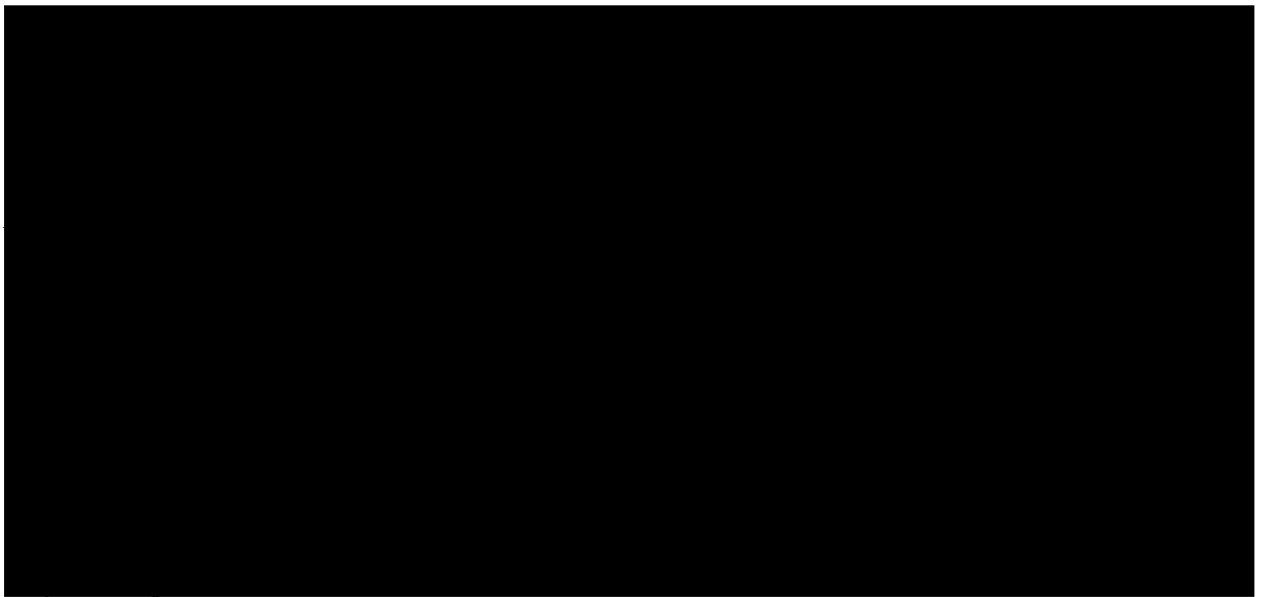
we would like to proceed. We would hope to use this as a test case and to make a proposal which would break the present log jam. Mr. McDermott would then take up our proposal with his committee (one member of which is Elmer Staats) and, of course, eventually with the White House. I asked Buff to report this to Mr. Kirkpatrick and to [REDACTED] and said that this would seem to be very timely in the light of [REDACTED]'s newly assigned responsibilities.

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7. [REDACTED] telephoned to get my reaction to promoting [REDACTED] to grade GS-16 a few days before his retirement or alternatively to give him a medal such as the Intelligence Medal for Merit. I told Jack that I thought the medal or some medal would be more meaningful than a terminal promotion and that I was, in fact, not favorably disposed toward terminal promotions of such short duration.

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